

REMARKS

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-3, 7, 9-12, and 16 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) and withdrew from consideration claims 4-6, 8, 13-15, and 17-52. Claims 53-74 were previously cancelled from the present application. By this paper, the Applicants cancelled claims 1-52 and added new claims 75-98 to clarify certain claim features. In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request allowance of the pending claims 75-98.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-3, 7, 9-12, and 16 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by Maughan et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,059,480). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection. However, the Applicants cancelled these claims and added new claims 75-98 to clarify certain claim features. Accordingly, the foregoing rejection is moot. For this reason, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the foregoing rejection.

New Claims

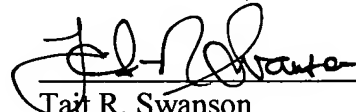
-As set forth above, the Applicants added new claims 75-98. These new claims recite a variety of features that are clearly missing from the cited references. In view of these deficiencies, the Applicants stress that these new claims 75-98 are patentable over the cited references and in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims should be in condition for allowance. However, if the Examiner wishes to resolve any issues by way of a telephone conference, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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